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contagious diseases. There has been no sickness among the shipping and I have issued nothing but clean bills of health, stating that there was smallpox in Merida. The heat during the past week has been oppressive, the thermometer ranging between 104° F. and 106° F. during the day and stopping in the 90's during the night. The rainy season is the unhealthy part of the year, but if it brings the temperature down a bit it will be welcome.

Respectfully,

S. H. Hodgson,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U.S. M. H.S.

The Surgeon-General,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report from Tampico.

Tampico, Mexico, June 8, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended June 2: The following ships were inspected: May 28, steamship Wearside, British; master, Kish; crew, 31; water ballast; cleared for Norfolk, Va. May 29, steamship Pensacola, American; master, Simmons; crew, 21; water ballast; cleared for Pensacola, Fla.; steamship Texan. British; master, Lund; crew, 43; cabin passengers, 4; steerage passengers, 2; cargo, general; cleared for New Orleans via Vera Cruz and Progreso. May 31, steamship Ithaka, German; master, Rorden; crew, 31; cabin passengers, 4; cargo, general and cattle; cleared for New York via Havana, Cuba. June 1, steamship *Themis*, Norwegian; master. Anderson; crew, 21; cabin passengers, 3; cargo, general; cleared for New Orleans via Mexican ports; steamship Mira, British; master, Vincent; crew, 35; cargo, general; cleared for New Orleans; steamship Newholm, British; master, Voss; crew, 25; water ballast, cleared for Pensacola, Fla.; steamship Albis, Norwegian; master, Langlie; crew, 20; cargo, cattle; cleared for Havana, Cuba.

Respectfully,

V. B. GREGORY. Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL, U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Mortality report.

Tampico, Mexico. June 11, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following reports of deaths in this municipality for the two weeks ended June 9: Septicemia, 1; meningitis, 1; splenitis, 1; gastritis (chronic), 1; tuberculosis, 5; pyemia, 1; bronchial pneumonia, 1; pneumonia, 2; apoplexy, 1; diarrhea (chronic), 1; gastro-enteritis, 1; malarial cachexia, 1. Total, 17.

The rainy season has not started in here as yet, in consequence of which the general health is good and the rate of mortality comparatively low for this season of the year.

Respectfully,

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